

---

---

# HOUSE BILL No. 1047

---

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 31-9-2-93; IC 31-19-22.

**Synopsis:** Release of adoption information. Permits the release of the name and present address of the sibling of an adoptee if: (1) the adoptee and the sibling are at least 21 years of age; and (2) the sibling consents to the release of the sibling's name and present address.

**Effective:** July 1, 2004.

---

---

## Herrell, Kruse

---

---

January 13, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

---

---

C  
o  
p  
y



Introduced

Second Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2004)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

## HOUSE BILL No. 1047

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 31-9-2-93 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 93. "Preadoptive  
3 sibling", for purposes of:

4 (1) IC 31-19-18;

5 (2) IC 31-19-16.5; ~~and~~

6 (3) **IC 31-19-22; and**

7 (4) IC 31-19-25;

8 means a sibling of an adoptee who is born before the date that the  
9 adoptee's adoption is finalized.

10 SECTION 2. IC 31-19-22-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 2. **(a) Except as**  
12 **provided in subsection (b),** the state registrar, the division of family  
13 and children, a county office of family and children, a licensed child  
14 placing agency, a professional health care provider (as defined in  
15 IC 34-6-2-117), and a court shall release identifying information in the  
16 entity's possession only if:

17 (1) the information is requested by a person described in

2004

IN 1047—LS 6261/DI 106+



C  
o  
p  
y

1 IC 31-19-18-2(a); and

2 (2) the following persons have submitted a written consent under  
3 IC 31-19-21 (or IC 31-3-4-27 before its repeal) to the state  
4 registrar that allows the release of identifying information to the  
5 person requesting the information:

6 (A) The adult adoptee.

7 (B) A birth parent.

8 **(b) The state registrar, the division of family and children, a**  
9 **county office of family and children, a licensed child placing**  
10 **agency, a professional health care provider (as defined in**  
11 **IC 34-6-2-117), and a court shall release the name and present**  
12 **location of an adoptee who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age**  
13 **or a preadoptive sibling who is at least twenty-one (21) years of**  
14 **age, if:**

15 **(1) the information is requested by an adoptee who is at least**  
16 **twenty-one (21) years of age or a preadoptive sibling who is at**  
17 **least twenty-one (21) years of age; and**

18 **(2) an adoptee who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age or**  
19 **a preadoptive sibling who is at least twenty-one (21) years of**  
20 **age has authorized the release of the adoptee's or preadoptive**  
21 **sibling's name and present location under section 2.1 of this**  
22 **chapter.**

23 **SECTION 3. IC 31-19-22-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA**  
24 **CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS**  
25 **[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 2.1. An adoptee who is at least**  
26 **twenty-one (21) years of age or a preadoptive sibling who is at least**  
27 **twenty-one (21) years of age may submit a written request to the**  
28 **state registrar:**

29 **(1) stating an interest in being reunited with any preadoptive**  
30 **siblings; and**

31 **(2) authorizing the state registrar to release the name and**  
32 **present location of the person submitting the request to any**  
33 **preadoptive siblings who make similar inquiries.**

**C**  
**O**  
**P**  
**Y**

